# **10 Principles of Health Behavior Change**

## Principle 1: Behavior Change Activation is on a Continuum: Levels of Readiness

Five stages of change

#### **Principle 2: Alignment of Intervention with Readiness Level**

Approaches likely to align with a person during each stage

#### **Principle 3: Personalized Health Behavior Change Plan**

Characteristics, decision making, goals, confidence, and follow-up

#### Principle 4: Self-management as the Organizing Framework for Behavior Change

Explore the whole health self-management (medical, behavioral, and emotional)

#### Principle 5: Effective Use of Incentives to Motivate Health Supporting Behavior

Pros and cons of incentives and expectancy

#### Principle 6: The Role of Social Support: Power of Professional and Community Social Support

Building and engaging the best support system

### **Principle 7: Power of Peer Support**

Identifying the peer support who has the most positive impact

#### **Principle 8: Creating an Organizational Culture of Wellness**

Importance of the client and staff interaction

## **Principle 9: Best Practices in Wellness Programming**

Create a program format designed to monitor overall wellness

#### **Principle 10: Culturally Responsive Services**

Balancing a well-rounded lifestyle of cultural influences, beliefs, values and activities

The KEEP-START-STOP Grid may be used to identify improvement opportunities to increase health behavior change and person activation. An improvement in any behavior change principle will advance your organization's efforts to engage the people you serve.

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